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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2020-Present	Physics of Living Systems Fellow	MIT
2021-Present	Visiting Scientist	Caltech
2021-Present	Affiliate Research Scientist	Blue Marble Space Institute of Science

EDUCATION

2013-2018	P.h.D, Bioinformatics	Boston University
2011-2013	M.S., Microbial Engineering	University of Minnesota
2005-2010	B.S., Chemistry, Biochemistry with Honors, <i>Cum laude</i>	University of Minnesota

PUBLICATIONS & MANUSCRIPTS

Goldford, J.E.*, Smith, H.B., Longo, L.M. Wing, B., & McGlynn, S.M.. Continuity between ancient geochemistry and modern metabolism enabled by non-autocatalytic purine biosynthesis. (*co-corresponding author). *bioRxiv*. 2022. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.10.07.511356> (submitted)

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- Marsland R., Cui W., **Goldford, J.E.**, & Mehta, P. The Community Simulator: A Python package for microbial ecology. *PLoS ONE* 2020 Mar; 15(3): e0230430
- Goldford, J.E.***, Hartman, H., Marsland R., & Segrè, D*. Environmental boundary conditions for the origin of life converge to an organo-sulfur metabolism. *Nature Ecology & Evolution*. 2019 Nov; (3)1715-1724 (*co-corresponding authors)
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INVITED TALKS & CONFERENCES

2022	Caltech 3CPE Seminar (<i>invited talk</i>)	Pasadena, CA
2022	GOE-DEEP, ICDP Workshop on Scientific Drilling (<i>invited</i>)	Trondheim, Norway
2022	SFI Feasible but Undiscovered Metabolisms (<i>invited</i>)	Santa Fe, NM
2022	Brilliant Minds 2022 (<i>invited</i>)	Stockholm, Sweden
2022	Templeton Origin of Life Ideas Lab	Prague, CZ
2022	SFI New Frontiers in the Origins of Life (<i>invited</i>)	Santa Fe, NM
2022	NSF Building a Network for Functional Annotation of Protein Families MCB- 2129768	Orlando, FL
2022	Gordon Research Conference, Origin of Life (<i>invited talk</i>)	Ventura, CA (postponed)
2021	KITP Q-Bio summer course (<i>invited talk</i>)	UCSB, Santa Barbara, CA
2021	Geobiology summer course (<i>invited talk</i>)	Mammoth Lakes, CA

¹ F1000 Prime recommended, cover article and commentary in same issue

2021	Geological and Planetary Sciences Seminar (<i>invited talk</i>)	Caltech, Pasadena, CA
2021	Geobiology seminar series (<i>invited talk</i>)	Colorado University
2021	Broad MIA Talk on Microbiomes and Metabolism (<i>invited talk with Pankaj Mehta</i>)	Broad Institute
2020	NASA Origin of Life, Thio-biosphere group (<i>invited talk</i>)	NASA-NSF virtual team
2018	Stochastic Modeling in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (<i>talk</i>)	U. of Padova, Venice Italy
2017	NASA Origin of Life, Thio-biosphere group (<i>invited talk</i>)	NASA-NSF virtual team
2017	Lawrence Livermore National Lab Seminar (<i>invited talk</i>)	LLNL, CA
2017	Earth and Planetary Science Seminar (<i>invited talk</i>)	U. of California, Berkeley
2017	Biodesign symposium (<i>invited talk</i>)	BU, Boston, MA
2017	Simons Foundation Theory and Biology Conference (<i>poster</i>)	Flatiron Institute, NYC, NY
2016	Physics of Living Systems Seminar (<i>invited talk</i>)	MIT, Cambridge, MA
2015	Astrobiology conference, AbSciCon (<i>talk</i>)	AGU, Chicago, IL
2014	Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology (ISMB) (<i>poster</i>)	ISMB, Boston, MA

TEACHING

2021	Instructor at KITP in <i>The Ecology and Evolution of Microbial Communities</i>	KITP, UCSB
2017	Guest Lecturer for <i>Dynamics and Evolution of Biological Networks</i>	Boston University
2016	Teaching assistant for <i>Methods and Logic in Quantitative Biology</i>	Boston University
2009	Teaching assistant for <i>Biochemistry</i>	University of Minnesota
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NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

2022-	Co-founder	The Dayhoff Project, London UK
2018-2020	Computational Biologist, Cell Metabolism	Agios Pharmaceuticals, Cambridge, MA
2009-2011	Research Associate, Immuno-histochemistry	R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2022-	Biosignatures review panel for NASA FINESST-21 program
2022-	Grant reviewer for NSF BIO Evolutionary Processes program
2017-	Peer reviewer for: <i>Nature Ecology and Evolution, PNAS, iScience, Chemical Communications, BMC Bioinformatics, Life & Microorganisms</i>
2020-	Thesis committee member for Boston University Bioinformatics Program
2021	Admissions committee member for Boston University Bioinformatics Program
2017-2018	Mentor/advisor for REU Summer Student, and three first year PhD students
2017-2018	Organizer for Kavli, Boston University Microbiome coffee hour
2017-2018	Organizer for BU, MIT & Harvard Physics of Living Systems Hangout

HONORS, AWARDS & GRANTS

2022	PI on Origins of Life Initiative Grant (\$50,000 USD)	Earthship co.
2021	Collaborator on 3CPE Grant " <i>Bridging Mineralogy and Enzymology in the Origin of Life</i> "	Caltech
2020-2023	Physics of Living Systems Fellowship	MIT
2018	Charles DeLisi Doctoral Dissertation Award (\$1,000 USD)	Boston University
2017	Hariri Data Science Graduate Student Fellowship (\$10,000 USD)	Boston University
2013	Dean's Fellowship	Boston University
2009	Biochemistry Summer Research Program	University of Minnesota

2008 Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program
2006-2008 Dean's List
2005-2009 Bentson Family Scholar

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